BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: <u>5/15/02</u>	Division: Mayor McCoy
Bulk Item: YesNoX	Department: BOCC-3
AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Proclamation proclaiming the month of May 2002 as Foster Care Month.	
ITEM BACKGROUND:	
PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTI	ON:
CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGI	ES:
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:	
TOTAL COST:	BUDGETED: YesNo
REVENUE PRODUCING: YesN	oAMOUNT PER MONTH_YEAR
APPROVED BY: County AttyOM	B/Purchasing Risk Management
DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:	Mayor Charles "Sonny" McCoy
DOCUMENTATION: Included: X	To Follow:Not Required:
DISPOSITION:	AGENDA ITEM #
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Mayor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, on any given day, almost 15,000 children in the state of Florida are living in foster care; and

WHEREAS, foster parents throughout the state of Florida dedicate themselves to providing foster children with the love and values that help prepare them for responsible adulthood; and

WHEREAS, in Monroe County there are 40 to 50 children in foster care each month residing in one of twenty-eight licensed foster homes county-wide; and

WHEREAS, these families have taken responsibility for these children and have opened their hearts and homes; and

WHEREAS, in Monroe County there is a current need for a greater variety of licensed foster homes to meet the special needs of children coming into foster care; and

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in me as Mayor of Monroe County, Florida, I, CHARLES 'SONNY' MC COY, do hereby proclaim May, 2002 as

Foster Care Month

and call upon all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support the foster care community, thereby strengthening the communities in which we live.

DATED this 15th day of May, 2002.

CHARLES 'SONNY' MCCOY, MONROE COUNTY MAYOR